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TO AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE IMMEDIATE

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TAGS:ECRP, CS, ECON

SUBJECT:ECONOMIC TRENDS REPORT -- ADVERSE REACTION

1. AMBASSADOR SILVA TELEPHONED THE DEPARTMENT TODAY TO EXPRESS HIS CONCERN WITH PORTIONS OF AN ARTICLE APPEARING ON PAGE 34 OF THE APRIL 28 ISSUE OF COMMERCE TODAY. THE ARTICLE SUMMARIZED THE ECONOMIC TRENDS REPORT PREPARED BY THE EMBASSY.

2. THE AMBASSADOR IS CONCERNED WITH THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE SUMMARY WHICH REPEATS PARAGRAPH THREE OF THE EMBASSY'S REPORT. HE BELIEVES THAT IT IS OVERLY PESSIMISTIC AND DISTORTS THE CORRECTIVE NATURE OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ECONOMIC MEASURES WHICH WERE DESIGNED TO CORRECT DISEQUILIBRIUM IN THE COUNTRY'S BALANCE OF PAYMENTS. AMBASSADOR SILVA SEEMED PLEASED WITH THE REMAINDER OF THE SUMMARY WHICH ADDRESSED ITSELF TO BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES AND COSTA RICA'S FAVORABLE INVESTMENT CLIMATE.

3. THE AMBASSADOR HAS BROUGHT THE ARTICLE TO THE ATTENTION OF DR. FERNANDO NARANJO. HE SAID THAT DR. NARANJO WILL BE CONTACTING THE EMBASSY TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT  
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CORRECTING WHAT HE PERCEIVES TO BE INCORRECT IN THE

COMMERCE ARTICLE.

4. WHILE IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT ANYTHING CAN BE DONE TO CHANGE THE "COMMERCE TODAY" COVERAGE, THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO CONSIDER REPHASING PARAGRAPH THREE IN ITS TRENDS REPORT. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HAS NOT SENT THE REPORT TO PRESS YET AND SO A CHANGE COULD BE ACCOMODATED. IF THE EMBASSY CONCURS, DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT THIS PARAGRAPH BE CHANGED TO REFLECT THE ANALYSIS THAT WHILE GOCR MEASURES WERE TOUGH, ACTION WAS NECESSARY TO CURB DECLINING BALANCE OF PAYMENTS POSITION; AND THAT WHILE 1975 WILL PROBABLY BE A YEAR OF LEVELING OFF IN GROWTH, PROSPECTS FOR 1976 ARE FOR IMPROVEMENT. KISSINGER

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